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- 1. The Lorentz Reciprocal Theorem. Consider the set $(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})$ to be, respectively, velocity and stress in an 'original' problem and a corresponding set $(\hat{\boldsymbol{v}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}})$ for the 'auxiliary' problem. Both the velocity fields are solenoidal: $\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v} = 0$, and $\nabla \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{v}} = 0$. Assume that the fluid is Newtonian [1].
 - (a) Consider a notation $\boldsymbol{\sigma}: \nabla \boldsymbol{v} = \sigma_{ij} \nabla_i v_j$. Show that for Newtonian fluids:

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}: \boldsymbol{\nabla} \hat{\boldsymbol{v}} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}: \boldsymbol{\nabla} \boldsymbol{v} \tag{1}$$

(b) For a surface, whose normal vector is n, show that these two sets of fields satisfy:

$$\int \left[(\nabla \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}) \cdot \boldsymbol{v} - (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{v}} \right] d^3 x = -\int (\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \cdot \boldsymbol{v} - \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{v}}) \cdot \boldsymbol{n} dS$$
 (2)

It is useful to note that the normal in the above is from the surface into the volume of interest.

2. Green's functions of Stokes flow. The Stokes equation for a point source of strength g can be written as:

$$-\nabla p + \eta \nabla^2 \mathbf{v} = -\mathbf{g}\delta(\mathbf{r}), \qquad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$$
(3)

Show that the solution can be written as:

$$v_i = G_{ij}g_j, \qquad p = P_jg_j, \qquad \sigma_{ik} = K_{ijk}g_j$$
 (4)

Find the expression of G_{ij} , P_j and K_{ijk} in an unbounded domain (free space) where the only boundary condition is that the flow vanishes at infinity.

3. Boundary integral representation of Stokes flow. Consider Eq.(2) along with two stress tensors $\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = 0$ and $\nabla \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} = -\boldsymbol{g}\delta(\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}')$. Here \boldsymbol{g} is an arbitrary constant vector. Using the above choices, show that Eq.(2) reduces to:

$$v_i(\boldsymbol{x}) = -\int \left[G_{ij}(\boldsymbol{x}, \, \boldsymbol{x}') \, f_j(\boldsymbol{x}') - K_{jik}(\boldsymbol{x}', \, \boldsymbol{x}) \, n_k \, v_j(\boldsymbol{x}') \right] \, dS \tag{5}$$

Here $f_i = \sigma_{ij} n_j$ is the traction (force per unit area).

- 4. **Faxen's relation**. A force-free sphere is placed in an arbitrary flow $\mathbf{v}^{\infty}(\mathbf{x})$. Considering the imposed flow $\mathbf{v}^{\infty}(\mathbf{x})$ as the auxiliary problem to find the velocity of a sphere places in this flow as the 'original' problem.
 - (a) The translational velocity V of the sphere placed in an imposed flow $v^{\infty}(x)$ is

$$\boldsymbol{V} = \lambda \int \boldsymbol{v}^{\infty}(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \mathrm{d}S. \tag{6}$$

Find the value of λ . Here, the integral is over the surface of the sphere placed in the imposed flow, whose radius is b.

(b) Obtain the Faxen's relation:

$$V = \left(1 + \frac{b^2}{6} \nabla^2\right) v^{\infty}(x) \bigg|_{x=R}$$
 (7)

Here, we have used the fact that the sphere is placed at location R.

- 5. Traction on a sphere translating under influence of an external force. Find the expression of traction (or force per unit area) on the surface of sphere which is moving with a constant velocity V under the influence of an external force.
- 6. Traction on a sphere rotating under influence of an external torque. Find the expression of traction (or force per unit area) on the surface of sphere which is rotating with a constant angular velocity Ω under the influence of an external torque. Assume the radius vector of the sphere as \boldsymbol{b} .

^[1] The stress tensor of Newtonian fluid: $\sigma_{ij} = -p\delta_{ij} + 2\eta E_{ij}$, where $E_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_i v_j + \nabla_j v_i)$.